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DATE: February 20, 2009

TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
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SUBJECT: Marich Confectionery -Peanut Recall

SUGGESTED ACTION: Peanut Recall; Due to Salmonella typhimurium; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled product was distributed in the State of Indiana. The recalled chocolate peanuts were distributed nationwide through retail stores and distributors. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Marich Confectionery Participates In Voluntary Nationwide Peanut Product Recall

Contact:
Troy van Dam
1-800-624-7055 xt.210

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- Hollister, CA -- February 17, 2009 --- Marich Confectionery of Hollister, CA is voluntarily recalling the products listed below because they could potentially be contaminated with Salmonella, an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections, particularly in young children, the elderly, and persons with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and/or abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with Salmonella can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses, such as arterial infections (i.e. infected aneurysms), endocarditis, and arthritis.

For more information on Salmonella, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's website @ <http://www.cdc.gov>.

The recalled chocolate peanuts were distributed nationwide through retail stores and distributors.

The recalled peanut products are as follows;

Milk Chocolate Peanuts

10 LB Bulk Item # 930 UPC CODE (797817-0930-1) all lot 's ending in (071, 072, 081 & 082)

8 oz. gold and black bags with a hang tag that says "Marich" Milk chocolate peanuts item # 8930 (UPC code 797817-08930-3) all lots ending in (071, 072, 081 & 082).

Chocolate Peanut Butter Toffee

10 LB Bulk Item # 763 UPC CODE (797817-00763-5) Lots Listed below

141071, 255071, 274071, 309071, 063081, 063082, 064081, 064082, 067081, 067082

8 oz. Item # 8763 UPC CODE (797817-08763-7) Gold and black bags with a hang tag that says "Marich Chocolate Peanut Butter Toffee" all lots ending in (071, 072, 081 & 082)

Marich Confectionery has not received any complaints of consumer illnesses associated with this product. Marich has also performed Salmonella testing on its facility as well as the products being recalled and all results have yielded negative results for Salmonella, meaning "no Salmonella was present in our products or our facility".

This move is a result of the recent expanded peanut and peanut product recall by Peanut Corporation of America "PCA" as well as the recent closing of the Plainview, Tx facility and its current recall of all peanuts and peanut products.

Consumers who have purchased the recalled products should either destroy the product or contact return it to their place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact Marich at 1-800-624-7055 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. Pacific Standard time.

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